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Letter dated 17 May 2018 from the Permanent Representative of Cuba to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have the honour to attach herewith a document dated 15 May 2018, entitled "Statement by the Revolutionary Government: Cuba condemns fresh attacks by Israel against the Palestinian people" (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter and its annex circulated as a document of the Security Council, under the item entitled "The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question".

(*Signed*) Anayansi **Rodríguez Camejo**
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Statement by the Revolutionary Government: Cuba condemns fresh attacks by Israel against the Palestinian people

The Revolutionary Government of the Republic of Cuba vehemently condemns the criminal attack on the defenseless Palestinian population in the Gaza Strip, by the Israeli Army which has killed at least 52 people and left over 2,400 injured. This act constitutes another serious and flagrant violation of the UN Charter and international humanitarian law, and a new outrage against the Palestinian people.

Cuba reiterates its rejection of the unilateral steps taken by the United States to establish its diplomatic representation in the city of Jerusalem, in utter contempt of international law and the United Nations resolutions, and further aggravating tensions in the region

The Revolutionary Government reiterates once again its unwavering support for a comprehensive, just, and lasting solution to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, on the basis of the creation of two states, and the Palestinian people's right to free self-determination and a sovereign state according to the pre-1967 borders, with East Jerusalem as its capital.

Havana, May 15, 2018